

Appln No. 10/758,559

Navy Case No. 96,046

Preliminary Amendment in Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 5, 2004

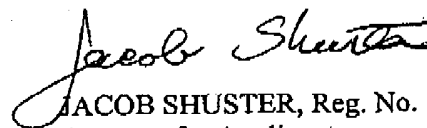
REMARKS

This corrected preliminary amendment to the division of the prior copending original application, Serial No. 10/263,387 filed Sept. 25, 2002, lists as well as to provide the texts of both the claims 1-5 to be retained and claims 6-15 to be withdrawn.

This divisional application is presently amended to (a) indicate its derivation from the parent application, and (b) to withdraw the apparatus claims 6-15 allowed in the parent application. The method claims 1-5 are being retained in this divisional application for consideration on the merits.

Favorable consideration of this divisional application as presently amended is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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